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Dear Sir:

Please consider the following remarks and the attached Declaration regarding the office action mailed March 25, 2008.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

A Declaration of Troy L. Thornton Under 37 C.F.R. 1.132 is attached hereto as **Attachment A**.